L. H. J. Gentl. You will also by her Majesty's Royal Instructions and the Representation of the Lords of Trade and Plantations be sensible of the absolute Necessity of impowering some proper Person to act as our Agent in Great Britain for want whereof we may suffer in Things most reasonably proposed by us.

Signed p Order W Bladen Cl. Co.

p. 296 Which being read together with her Majesty's Instructions the House took the same into Consideration and being debated was put to the Question whether a Bill be brought to ascertain the Gauge of Tobacco Hhds according to the Gauge in Virginia or not? Carryed in the Affirmative.

Resolved a Bill be brought in to ascertain the Gauge of Tobacco Hhds to 30 Inches in the Diameter of the Head within the Chime and forty Eight Inches in the Length of the Stave under the Penalty of 600 lb Tobo or 50 £ Sterling to be paid by the Planter to the Use of the County where the Offence shall be committed

Resolved a Bill be brought in to prevent Masters of Ships from cropping Squeezing or defacing Tobacco under the Penalty of 50 £ to the Use of the Party damnified.

Peter Saunders, Stephen Rashoon, and William Cady Petition praying Naturalization

Read and Resolved Leave be given to bring in a Bill accordingly

Mr John Rousby Naval Officer for Patuxent District appeared in the House according to Order and produced Carnaby's Entry Bond. And Ordered the same be delivered to Mr Attorney General to consider of and endeavour to recover the Money due to the Country for the Duty of those Negroes short entered.

Mr Rousby delivered a List of his Naval Officers Fees and Commission for Mr Plater's being Receiver of her Majesty's Revenue, and as to his and Mr Platers publick Accounts said they were sent to England and he only accountable to the Governor and Council

Mr John Dansey's List of Fees laid before the House pursuant to Order of last Session

Col<sup>o</sup> Greenberry and Col<sup>o</sup> Tilghman enter the House and deliver M<sup>r</sup> Speaker the foll. Mess<sup>a</sup> Viz.

By the Council in Assembly October 25th 1711.

Since we have so often let you know we cannot advise the President to act any Thing contrary to her Majesty's Instruc-